Overview King County Region 6 Committees and Workgroups

Emergency Management Advisory Committee (EMAC), KC Regional Citizen Corps Council, Regional Homeland Security Council

- Advise, assist, review and comment on emergency management issues, regional planning and policies. Approve regional homeland security budget and work.
- Representatives from cities, fire service, law enforcement, hospitals, the Port of Seattle, government, special purpose districts, tribes, utilities, non-profit agencies and the private sector.

Regional Disaster Planning Task Force (RDPTF)

- Voluntary plan with legal and financial mutual aid agreement.
- Provides the framework needed to link response plans for public, private and nonprofit organizations within King County.
- Membership includes cities, government, fire, water, sewer and school districts, hospitals, banking, private sector and public agencies.
- Over 115 signatories.

Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan Task Force (RHMTF)

- Update the King County Hazard Identification and Vulnerability Analysis (HIVA).
- Analyze critical infrastructure vulnerability.
- Develop regional all-hazards mitigation plan.
- Federal requirement for future mitigation funding.
- Representatives from cities, government, fire service, special purpose districts, utility districts, and schools.

Regional Homeland Security Subcommittee (RHSS)

- Promote regional coordination to address the management of homeland security.
- Focal point for regional activities involving homeland security.
- Representatives from cities, fire service, law enforcement, the Port of Seattle, government, special purpose districts, utilities, tribes, non-profit agencies and the private sector.
- Provide resource and project recommendations to the Region 6 Homeland Security Council/EMAC.

RHSS-Multi-Disciplinary Equipment Planning Group (MEPG)

- Plan, coordinate selection, and prioritize grant-funded weapons of mass destruction (WMD) response equipment.
- Representatives from fire service, hazmat, law enforcement, EMS, health, emergency management, hospitals, and public works.
- Recipient of federal grants for regional equipment purchase since 1998.

RHSS-Training and Exercises Workgroup

- Identify critical training and exercise needs and standards for that training when provided.
- Coordinate and communicate available training and exercise funds, resources and efforts with disciplines in King County.
- Investigate alternate training delivery methods (web-based materials).
- Coordinate and evaluate training and exercise opportunities provided by Washington State against local needs.

RHSS-Planning and Administration Workgroup

- Develop and review for recommended funding allocations and process.
- Review staffing needs.
- Provide review and oversight for the development and implementation of the Region
 6 Homeland Security Strategic Plan.
- Integrate activities of RHSS and workgroups.

RHSS-Critical Infrastructure Threat and Vulnerability Workgroup

- Assess level of risk/threat and vulnerability in Region 6 (King County).
- Review critical infrastructure needs and make recommendations to the RHSS.
- Monitor process for communicating to stakeholders/disciplines.

RHSS-Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)/Citizen Corps (CC) Planning Group

- Promote partnering between emergency response agencies and the community.
- Train and educate citizens in lifesaving skills.
- Trained CERT members provide victim assistance and assist first responders.
- Administer federal grants for new and existing CERT and Citizen Corps groups.